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documents may, in fact, be important as records of the Court, or as containing valuable information as to its practice and procedure. Irreparable damage has been done for historians by past carelessness as to the custody of documents, and we think inquiry ought to be made, before it is too late, into the remaining documents of the Old Bailey.—London Law Journal.

IN VACATION.

He Was "All In."—In the recent case of *State v. Hennessy*, 90 Pac. Rep. 221, the Nevada Supreme Court gives a definition of the slang phrase "All in." The question came up in connection with the admission in evidence of a dying declaration, the declarant's statement that he was "all in" being relied on to show that he was under a sense of impending death. The court said: "The expression 'I am all in' is one frequently made use of in this western country, and when used under the circumstances in question may, we think, be taken to have meant that the speaker considered his life was practically at an end."—Law Notes.

"Whip Hell Out of You" Judicially Defined.—The grave and difficult question, whether a gentleman who expressed an intention to "whip hell out of" another thereby threatened to kill or inflict serious bodily injury on the person who was to have the hell extracted from his composition, was before the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, in *Hix v. State*, 102 S. W. Rep. 405. The threatened party, it seems, was reluctant to be deprived of his hell, so he undertook to impair the threatener's physical ability to carry out the program—in which endeavor he was quite successful. Davidson, P. J., said: "As to how serious a result would have happened to appellant if the assaulted party whipped hell out of him can only be conjectured from the use of the language. What effect whipping hell out of appellant would have had upon him personally as to his physical condition is not shown, but we hardly think that it was of such nature as would have produced death or serious bodily injury."—Law Notes.

"Baalim's Ass Spake."—Since the decision rendered by Judge Battle of the supreme court of Arkansas, Baalim's ass no longer has an unrestricted right to "spake." That distinguished jurist said, in *Ex parte Foote*, 70 Ark. 12, 65 S. W. 706, 708: "As a rule, a jack is kept for one purpose only, and that is the propagation of his own species and mules. He has a loud, discordant bray, and, as counsel say, frequently 'makes himself heard, regardless of hearers, occasions, or solemnities.' He is not a desirable neighbor. The purpose for which he is kept, his frequent and discordant brays, and the associations connected with him, bring the keeping of him in a populous city or town 'within the legal notion of a nuisance.'"